GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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PERMISSION FROM T & CPO ON CONSTRUCTION OF PETROL PUMPS
CHARAN DAS MAHANT

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Oil Corporations are required to obtain the permission from Department of Town and Country Planning and National Highways Authority of India before starting the actual construction of the petrol pumps as per the approved plans and drawings;

(b) if so, whether the concerned District Magistrates can also initiate action arbitrarily for cancellation of NOC when the violation is detected;

(c) if not, the Appellate Authority for the Arbitrary Actions/Decisions of respective District Magistrates in this regard and time prescribed for deciding such appeals; and

(d) the action taken/proposed to be taken in case some irregularities of District Magistrates are detected?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (d) The Oil Companies apply to the District Magistrates for `

No Objection Certificates` (NOCs) before starting the construction of retail outlets.

The District Magistrate, in turn, seeks NOCs from various authorities like the Police, the Fire Service, the Department of Explosives etc. and also from the Town and Country Planning Department or the National Highway Authority of India depending on the location of the proposed retail outlet before issuing the final NOC to the Oil Company for construction as per the approved plans and drawings.

The District Magistrate can initiate action for cancellation of the NOC when any violation of the terms and conditions of the NOC is detected.